

Richard R. G. McCormack

June 10, 1915 — December 28, 1968

Richard R. G. McCormack, associate attending physician to The New York Hospital and clinical associate professor of medicine at Cornell University Medical College died on December 28, 1968, at the age of fifty-three years at Stowe, Vermont. Following his graduation from the College of Arts and Science, Columbia University, Dr. McCormack attended Cornell University Medical College receiving his degree in 1941. His internship at The New York Hospital began a life-long affiliation with the Center. It was interrupted by military service with the Army Medical Corps from July 1943 to April 1946, and duty in both Atlantic and Pacific theaters. Upon discharge he completed his residency in the Second (Cornell) Medical Division at Bellevue Hospital where he continued on the attending staff during Cornell's tenure there. He spent two years (1947-49) as a fellow in physiology and this was followed by private practice. For a ten year period ending in 1961 he served as assistant director of The New York Hospital Heart Station. His contacts with patients, house staff, students, and colleagues were marked uniformly by the warmth of his personality, a fine sense of humor, and his devoted excellence as a physician.

He strove tirelessly to provide a meaningful and proper experience for these students under his purview.

In 1962 Dr. McCormack left private practice to become medical director of the C. V. Starr Company, Incorporated. He continued, however to serve and to teach in the Ambulatory Care Clinics of The New York Hospital and to visit on the Bellevue Hospital wards.

Dr. McCormack was a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine and a member of several learned and professional societies. He was born in Kingston, Jamaica, British West Indies. He is survived by his mother, his widow, the former Mary Rainey, by a son, Richard, and a daughter, Constance.

J. James Smith